

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3289–S3359

Measures Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 678–685. **Page S3340**

Measures Reported:

S. Res. 27, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the 1944 deportation of the Chechen people to central Asia.

S. Res. 60, urging the immediate release of Kosovar Albanians wrongfully imprisoned in Serbia.

S. Con. Res. 23, expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the involvement of the Government in Libya in the terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103. **Page S3339**

Measures Passed:

National Murder Awareness Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 41, designating April 4, 2001, as “National Murder Awareness Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S3357**

National Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 55, designating the third week of April as “National Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Week” for the year 2001, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S3357**

Domenici (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 177, to amend the resolution. **Page S3357**

Domenici (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 178, to amend the title. **Page S3357**

Congressional Budget Resolution: Senate continued consideration of H. Con. Res. 83, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2002, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2001, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2003 through 2011, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S3290–S3333**

Adopted:

By 51 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 65), Grassley Amendment No. 173 (to Amendment No. 170), to revise certain provisions providing for a reserve fund for prescription drugs and medicare reform in the Senate. **Pages S3320–26**

Rejected:

By 50 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 66), Baucus Amendment No. 172 (to Amendment No. 170), to establish a prescription drug benefit under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, without using funds generated from either the Medicare or Social Security surpluses, that is voluntary; accessible to all beneficiaries; designed to assist beneficiaries with the high cost of prescription drugs, protect them from excessive out of pocket costs, and give them bargaining power in the market place; affordable to all beneficiaries and the program; administered using private sector entities and competitive purchasing techniques; and consistent with broader Medicare reform. **Pages S3298–S3320, S3326**

Pending:

Domenici Amendment No. 170, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S3290–S3333**

Grassley Amendment No. 174 (to Amendment No. 170), to provide for additional agriculture assistance. **Pages S3327–33**

Conrad (for Johnson) Amendment No. 176 (to Amendment No. 170), to provide emergency assistance to producers of agricultural commodities in fiscal year 2001, and additional funds for farm and conservation programs during fiscal years 2002 through 2011. **Page S3333**

A unanimous-consent time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of Grassley Amendment No. 174 (to Amendment No. 170) and Johnson Amendment No. 176 (to Amendment No. 170), both listed above, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, April 4, 2001, with votes to occur on or in relation to each amendment beginning at 10:30 a.m. Further, that following the votes, Senator Harkin be recognized to offer an amendment relative to education, and that when the Senate resumes the budget resolution on Wednesday, there be 35 hours remaining for consideration. **Page S3327**

Appointments:

Commission on Indian and Native Alaskan Health Care: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106–310, announced the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Commission on Indian and Native Alaskan Health Care; Sara DeCoteau, of South Dakota, and Carole Anne Heart, of South Dakota. **Page S3357**

Congressional Recognition for Excellence in Arts Education Awards Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106–533, announced the appointment Senators Akaka and Johnson to serve as members of the Congressional Recognition for Excellence in Arts Education Awards Board. **Page S3357**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Donna R. McLean, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

James Andrew Kelly, of Hawaii, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (East Asian and Pacific Affairs), vice Stanley O. Roth.

Richard Nathan Haass, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of Service as Director, Policy Planning Staff, Department of State.

Stephen Goldsmith, of Indiana, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2005.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy. **Pages S3358–59**

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Privileges of the Floor: **Page S3357**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—66) **Page S3326**

Adjournment: Senate met at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 7:22 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, April 4, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S3357–58.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine issues related to the need for funding of medical research of Alzheimer's Disease at various facilities, including the National Institutes of Health, the Alzheimer's Clinical Research and Training Program, and the Alzheimer's Matching Grant Programs, after receiving testimony from Representatives Chris Smith and Markey; Richard J. Hodes, Director, National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; and Steven T. Dekosky, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Alzheimer's Disease Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Christine Frey, Peoria, Illinois, John Wagenaar, George, Iowa, and David Hyde Pierce, Saratoga Springs, New York, all on behalf of the Alzheimer's Association.

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE, IMAGERY, AND MAPPING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic concluded hearings to examine the Report of the National Commission for the Review of the National Reconnaissance Office and the Report of the Independent Commission on the National Imagery and Mapping Agency, after receiving testimony from Representative Goss, Co-Chairman, Larry D. Cox, Member, Martin C. Faga, Member, and William Schneider, Jr., Member, all of the National Commission for the Review of the National Reconnaissance Office; and Peter Marino, Chairman, Kevin O'Connell, Executive Secretary, Evan Hineman, Member, and Gen. Tom Weinstein, Member, all of the Independent Commission on the National Imagery and Mapping Agency.

DOMESTIC OIL AND NATURAL GAS RESOURCES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues related to the development of a national energy policy for the next decade, focusing on impediments to domestic oil and gas production and its impact on availability and price of energy in the United States, after receiving testimony from P. Patrick Leahy, Associate Director for Geology, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; David J. Hayes, Latham and Watkins,